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SPACE SAVERS CUT FURNITURE EXPENSE

A small bedroom with a dormer window presents difficulties in furnishing. One satisfactory solution provides built-in drawers to take the place of a bureau or chest and a window-seat substitute for an extra chair. The drawers are placed on each side of the dormer window, running under the eaves. The window seat has a hinged top and makes a good storage box, while its cushioned surface provides a comfortable seat.

In a small room with two small windows in the same wall, a long mirror was set between the windows, drawers were built below each window to serve in place of bureau or chest. A closet was made in each corner between the windows and the side walls. The doors of these closets were placed diagonally cutting off one angle to give more space in the room. Inside there was space for shelves set at right angles and a hanger rod for clothes.

Another space-saving idea eliminates bedsteads. A built-in bunk, or double-decker bunks, can be used as on a ship, plane, or railroad train, where sleeping space is limited. They are inexpensive, can be made comfortable, and have been found useful in rustic cabins and camps, by a family with several boys, and on farms where, occasionally, hired helpers require a place to sleep.

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